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[ ] Reports on East European Emigration Affairs

Comments of [ ] (who signed dispatch) re Attachment L (attached):

a. (See also Attachment N). These reports, plus information reported in ECMA-8795, 7 December 1953, show some facets of the meager revival of the BNF as an emigration party.

b. Paragraph 2: Note that WALTSCHEFF [VULCHEV] is contacting the group of von MENDE, BRAUTIGAM, and LEIBRAND, all former members of ROSENBERG's Ostministerium and now connected with the German Foreign Ministry. As yet we have no information here on the results of these conferences. However, WALTSCHEFF is Chief of the Press and Information Section of the ABN, under the assumed names of BALANSKI and Dr. ILIEV. It is generally assumed that von MENDE has received British support as has the ABN. WALTSCHEFF's regular contacts with von MENDE may indicate British plans with regard to the BNF or BNF hopes to enlist British aid.

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